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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON GSP PRODUCT LIST

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1. EMBASSY RECIEVED OCTOBER 21 FROM FONOFF THE FOLLOWING
LIST OF PRODUCTS IN WHICH URUGUAY HAS A SPECIAL INTEREST IN RECEIV-
ING U.S. GSP TREATMENT, AS INDICATED IN REF B:

124.20 PLATES, MATS, LININGS, STRIPS, ETC.

130.20 CANARY SEED

137.85 VEGETABLES, CHILLED OR FROZEN

138.00 VEGETABLES, FRESH, FROZEN, CUT, SLICED, OR REDUCED

147.33 CITRUS FRUIT, NSPF, FRESH

152.14 ORANGE PEEL, CRUDE, DRIED, OR IN BRINE

152.18 LEMON PEEL, CRUDE, DRIED, OR IN BRINE

152.22 FRUIT PEEL, CRUDE, DRIED, OR IN BRINE

152.30 ORANGE PEEL, PREP OR PRES, EXC. CRUDE, DRIED IN BRINE

152.74 OTHER FRUIT PASTES AND FRUIT PULPS

154.30 ORGANGE PEEL, CANDIED, CRYSTALIZED OR GLACE

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155.70 HONEY

157.10 CANDY AND OTHER CONFECTIONERY NSPI
165.55 FRUIT JUICES, UNMIXED, NES NOV 1 ALCOHOL BY VOL.
167.15 CIDER, FERMENTED, WHETHER STILL OR SPARKLING
177 ANIMAL OILS, FAT AND GREASES, CRUDE AND REFINED
184.75 ANIMAL FEED NSPF
206 MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS OF WOOD
450 FLAVOURING EXTRACTS AND FRUIT FLAVORS, ESSENCES
455 GLUE, GELATIN AND RELATED PRODUCTS
513 STONE AND STONE PRODUCTS
532 CERAMIC CONSTRUCTION ARTICLES
533 TABLE KITCHEN HOUSEHOLD, ART AND ORNAMENTAL POTTERY
704 GLOVES AND GLOVE LININGS
705 " " " "
706 LUGGAGE, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HANDBAGS, ETC.
772.48 PNEUMATIC TIRES, BICYCLE
772.51 PNEUMATIC TIRES, NES
772.57 TUBES BICYCLE
772.60 TUBES FOR TIRES, NSPF

2. GOU LETTER POINTS OUT THAT URUGUAYAN EXPORTS OF THESE PRODUCTS REPRESENT ONLY A VERY SMALL SHARE OF U.S. IMPORTS AND IN NO WAY PREJUDICE THE INTERESTS OF U.S. PRODUCERS. FURTHERMORE "...THE MAJORITY OF THE PRODUCTS AFFECT MEDIUM AND LOW-INCOME SECTORS SUCH AS RURAL PRODUCERS AND, CONSEQUENTLY, WOULD ACT AS A DISINCENTIVE FOR THEIR PRODUCTION, WITH SERIOUS SOCIAL EFFECTS IN OUR COUNTRY." "...WE MUST STRESS THAT WE LOOK WITH SATISFACTION UPON THE NONEXCLUSION OF THE PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE CLASSIFICATION TSUS 380 AND 382 (HANDICRAFTS AND HANDMADE ARTICLES) OF SIGNIFICANCE TO OUR EXPORTERS."

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT, WHILE THE URUGUAYAN LIST OF PRIORITY ITEMS IS RATHER EXTENSIVE, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE USG BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE. URUGUAY IS MAKING A DETERMINED EFFORT TO DIVERSIFY ITS EXPORTS AND HAS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED ITS OWN BARRIERS TO IMPORTS OVER THE PAST YEAR. THIS WELCOME TRADE STRATEGY IS PART OF THE GOU ECONOMIC REFORM PROGRAM AIMED AT OPENING UP THE ECONOMY TO COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE AND INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION. OUR SUPPORT FOR THIS POLICY WILL BE JUDGED IN AN IMPORTANT MEASURE BY THE ATTITUDE WE TAKE TOWARD THE INCLUSION OF PRODUCTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO URUGUAY IN OUR GSP LIST.

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